

## ABSTRACT

Provided are: a user information management apparatus and method capable of efficiently preventing user information from being utilized by another person in family or being distributed to the outside, thereby protecting security; a recording medium having  
5 recorded therein a control program for managing user information; and, in order to provide a user information management program, transmission disabling means 44-1 and 44-2 for, after elapse of a predetermined period of time and/or after execution of a predetermined operation after predetermined user information is enabled to be transmitted by transmission control means, or alternatively, according to a predetermined instruction from the user, disabling  
10 transmission of user information thus enabled to be transmitted. In addition, personal information or the like desired to be managed with the rank or level can be classified by a predetermined level or the like to be managed, thereby making it possible to provide more detailed information management.